

May 30, 2014

The Honorable Matt Schultz  
Secretary of State of Iowa  
State Capitol  
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit House File 2450, an Act relating to appropriations to the justice system and including effective date provisions.

House File 2450 is approved on this date with the following exception, which I hereby disapprove.

I am unable to approve the item designated as Section 6, amending the 2013 Iowa Acts, chapter 139, section 22, subsection 1, by inserting lettered paragraph c. This item contains policy language pertaining to the Department of Corrections entering into a new contract in excess of \$100,000 for privatized services during fiscal year 2015 without prior notification of the legislature and employee organizations. However, this item allows the department to renew existing contracts without notification. This item would prevent the department from obtaining services for inmates in an effective and efficient manner. This notification unnecessarily impedes the department's management authority.

For the above reasons, I respectfully disapprove the designated item in accordance with Amendment IV of the Amendments of 1968 to the Constitution of the State of Iowa. All other items in House File 2450 are hereby approved as of this date.

Sincerely,

TERRY E. BRANSTAD  
Governor